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1. This communication is responsive to <u>response filed 2/23/2004</u> .		
2. X The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-22 and 24.		
3. 🗵 The drawings filed on <u>03 November 2000</u> are accepted by the Examiner.		
4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority ur	nder 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (i	·).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:		
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The references to Mack, Reed et al., Moss, Logan, Airhart, and Ross are cited of interest as they were also cited on the parent application 09/780,594.

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee. This amendment is merely to place the applicant's amendment of 3/25/2004 into proper form under 37 CFR 1.173(d) (i.e. the added text was not underlined). No new information is added by this amendment.

The application has been amended as follows: the paragraph of the amendment, filed 3/25/2004, added before the first paragraph of the specification is changed as follows:

--Notice: More than one reissue application has been filed for the reissue of Patent No. 5,830,529. The reissue applications are application numbers 09/706,491 (the present application), and 10/720,003 which is a divisional reissue of Patent No. 5,830,529, and 10/720,002 which is a continuation reissue of Patent No. 5,830,529.--

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Barr whose telephone number is 571-272-1414. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 6:00 am-3:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Shrive Beck can be reached on 571-272-1415. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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